

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Dennis E.J.G.J. Dolmans et al. Art Unit : 1614
Serial No. : 10/615,275 Examiner : Leslie A. Royds
Filed : July 8, 2003
Title : PHOTODYNAMIC THERAPY

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

In response to the notice of non-responsive amendment mailed May 9, 2006, Applicant confirms the election of Group I (claims 5, 7, and 17-18), which is drawn to administering PDT to a tumor. The election is made without traverse.

Applicant understands that claims including the limitations of any of the linking claims 1-4, 6, and 8-16 will be entitled to examination should those linking claims be deemed allowable.

In the prior response, Applicant understood the Examiner as requiring election between three different species, each of which corresponds to a set of subspecies listed in each of the three claims 13-15. Applicant appreciates the subsequent clarification and now understands that the Examiner considers each compound recited in each of the three claims as a species.

The Examiner further requested that Applicant specify whether for purposes of searching for art relevant to claims 13-15, the first and second photosensitizers are to be regarded as different. Applicant requests that, for purposes of that search, the Examiner regard the first and second photosensitizers as the same.

In response to the request to elect just one of those compounds, Applicant elects the pyrrole-derived macrocyclic compound as recited in claim 13.

No fee is believed to be due. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket Number 00786-546001.

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Respectfully submitted,

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